However, only one case of robbery was reported during the year 2000-2001 (April to June, 2000) in Hirakhand Express.

- (b) No, Sir.
- (c) Does not arise.

Foreign members of Asian Health Environment and Allied Databases

3558. SHRI S. RAMACHANDRAN PILLAI: Will the Minister of SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

- (a) whether any foreign citizens/organisations are/were members of the society called Asian Health Environment and Allied Databases, registered on 12th August 1994 (No. s/26497), with Registrar of Societies, Delhi; and
- (b) if so, the details regarding occupation and address of the above members, year-wise?

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT, MINISTER OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY AND MINISTER OF OCEAN DEVELOPMENT (DR. MURLI MANOHAR JOSHI): (a) NISCOM has in 1999, withdrawn from the consortium AHEAD for CD-ROM Project due to administrative reasons. Now no further activity relating to the project is being carried on at NISCOM, accordingly, the information is not available.

(b) Does not arise.

Transgenic crops

†3559. SHRI RAJIV RANJAN SINGH: SHRI RAJ MOHINDER SINGH:

Will the Minister of SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to the news item published in 'The Times of India' dated 21st July, 2000 under the caption, "concern over effects of transgenic crops";
- (b) if so, whether it is a fact that many scientific institutions of certain developed and developing countries have expressed concern over transgenic food crops; and
 - (c) if so, Government's reaction in this regard?

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.